(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
32.	Pondicherry	15	0	418	
	TOTAL (UT ADMINISTRATIONS)	117	0	2372	
	TOTAL (ALL INDIA)	6214	354	81917	

SOURCE: Monthly Crime Statistics.
NOTE: 1. Figures are provisional.
2. NR stands for data (from West Bengal) not

Destruction of NSCN Headquarters

2521. SHRI H1PHE1: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the security forces have, in the recent past, destroyed the NSCN headquarters, a strategic base of underground Nagas, forcing them to move to safer sanctuaries in North Cachar hills of Assam;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether such moves of security forces were intended to weaken insurgency in the North-Eastern Region;

(d) whether Government propose to ask the security forces to tone up their such moves, to be more effective to wipe out insurgency completely in North Eastern Region; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P.M. SAYEED): (a) and (b) As a part of their on-going counter-insurgency operations, the Security Forces raided and destroyed earlier this year 2 camps of the underground Nagas. One of the camps comprising 40 huts was abandoned by the undergrounds. Two Naga undergrounds died in the encounter and one weapon was recovered. Among the Security Forces, 2 officers and 5 other ranks sustained injuries.

(c) to (e) Such operations do weaken the strength of insurgents in the Region. As a part of the multi-pronged strategy adopted, a series of measures have been taken, which include, *inter-alia*, the declaration of certain affected areas as "disturbed areas", notification of certain militant groups as "unlawful associations", deployment of additional units of the Army and the Central Para Military Forces, financial assistance to the North Eastern States for Modernisation and Upgradation of State Police Forces, raising of India Reserve Battalions and better sharing of information and coordination of counter-insurgency operations. Simultaneously, steps continue to be taken for economic development, particularly, with a view to improving the basic infrastructure in the Region and for providing greater employment opportunities.

Strengthening of borders

2522. SHRI RAHASBIHARI BARIK: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have been laying emphasis on the strengthening of borders;

(b) if so, the various steps taken in that direction; and

(c) the details of funds earmarked therefor during the Eighth Five Year Plan and the amount actually spent in the respective border States?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P.M. SAYEED): (a), to (c) Yes, Sir. The steps taken include intensification of partolling both on the land and riverine borders by the Border